

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S4397–S4472

Measures Introduced: Seven bills and one resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3425–3431, and S. Res. 540. **Pages S4441–42**

Measures Passed:

National Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia (HHT) Month: Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 508, recognizing June 2010 as National Hereditary Hemorrhagic Telangiectasia (HHT) month established to increase awareness of HHT, which is a complex genetic blood vessel disorder that affects approximately 70,000 people in the United States, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Pages S4469–70**

National Brain Tumor Awareness Month: Committee on the Judiciary was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 537, designating May 2010 as “National Brain Tumor Awareness Month”, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S4470**

National Small Business Week: Senate agreed to S. Res. 540, honoring the entrepreneurial spirit of small businesses in the United States during “National Small Business Week”, beginning May 23, 2010. **Pages S4470–71**

Measures Considered:

Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate continued consideration of H.R. 4899, making emergency supplemental appropriations for disaster relief and summer jobs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S4398–S4437**

Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 4174, to provide collective bargaining rights for public safety officers employed by States or their political subdivisions. **Pages S4398, S4416**

Sessions/McCaskill Amendment No. 4173, to establish 3-year discretionary spending caps. **Pages S4398, S4409–10**

Wyden/Grassley Amendment No. 4183, to establish as a standing order of the Senate that a Senator publicly disclose a notice of intent to objecting to any measure or matter. **Page S4398**

Feingold Amendment No. 4204, to require a plan for safe, orderly, and expeditious redeployment of the United States Armed Forces from Afghanistan. **Page S4398**

McCain Amendment No. 4214, to provide for the National Guard support to secure the southern land border of the United States. **Pages S4398, S4422–24**

Cornyn Modified Amendment No. 4202, to make appropriations to improve border security, with an offset from unobligated appropriations under division A of Public Law 111–5. **Pages S4398, S4422–24**

Lautenberg Modified Amendment No. 4175, to provide that parties responsible for the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico shall reimburse the general fund of the Treasury for costs incurred in responding to that oil spill. **Page S4398**

Cardin Amendment No. 4191, to prohibit the use of funds for leasing activities in certain areas of the outer Continental Shelf. **Page S4398**

Kyl/McCain Modified Amendment No. 4228 (to Amendment No. 4202), to appropriate \$200,000,000 to increase resources for the Department of Justice and the Judiciary to address illegal crossings of the Southwest border, with an offset. **Pages S4398, S4419–20**

Coburn/McCain Amendment No. 4232, to pay for the costs of supplemental spending by reducing Congress’ own budget and disposing of unneeded Federal property and uncommitted Federal funds. **Pages S4398, S4406–09, S4424–28**

Coburn/McCain Modified Amendment No. 4231, to pay for the costs of supplemental spending by reducing waste, inefficiency, and unnecessary spending within the Federal Government. **Pages S4398, S4406–09, S4424–28**

Landrieu/Cochran Amendment No. 4179, to allow the Administrator of the Small Business Administration to create or save jobs by providing interest relief on certain outstanding disaster loans relating to damage caused by the 2005 Gulf Coast hurricanes or the 2008 Gulf Coast hurricanes. **Page S4398**

Landrieu Amendment No. 4180, to defer payments of principal and interest on disaster loans relating to the Deepwater Horizon oil spill. **Page S4398**

Landrieu Modified Amendment No. 4184, to require the Secretary of the Army to maximize the placement of dredged material available from maintenance dredging of existing navigation channels to mitigate the impacts of the Deepwater Horizon Oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico at full Federal expense. **Page S4398**

Landrieu Amendment No. 4213, to provide authority to the Secretary of the Interior to immediately fund projects under the Coastal Impact Assistance Program on an emergency basis. **Page S4398**

Landrieu Amendment No. 4182, to require the Secretary of the Army to use certain funds for the construction of authorized restoration projects in the Louisiana coastal area ecosystem restoration program. **Page S4398**

Landrieu Amendment No. 4234, to establish a program, and to make available funds, to provide technical assistance grants for use by organizations in assisting individuals and businesses affected by the Deepwater Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico. **Page S4398**

Ensign/Reid Amendment No. 4229, to prohibit the transfer of C-130 aircraft from the National Guard to a unit of the Air Force in another State. **Page S4405**

Ensign/Reid Modified Amendment No. 4230, to establish limitations on the transfer of C-130H aircraft from the National Guard to a unit of the Air Force in another State. **Pages S4405–06, S4421–22**

Isakson/Chambliss Amendment No. 4221, to include the 2009 flooding in the Atlanta area as a disaster for which certain disaster relief is available. **Page S4406**

Collins Amendment No. 4253, to prohibit the imposition of fines and liability under certain final rules of the Environmental Protection Agency. **Pages S4410–16**

Menendez Amendment No. 4289 (to Amendment No. 4174), to require oil polluters to pay the full cost of oil spills. **Pages S4416–19**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing that on Thursday, May 27, 2010, after any Leader time, Senate continue consideration of the bill, and continue consideration of the following amendments in the order listed: McCain Amendment No. 4214 (listed above), Kyl/McCain Modified Amendment No. 4228 (to Amendment No. 4202) (listed above), Cornyn Modified Amendment No. 4202 (listed above), as amended, if amended; and that the Cornyn amendment be further modified with the changes at the desk; that there be a total of 20 minutes for debate, with the time divided 5 minutes each to Senators McCain, Kyl, Cornyn and

Schumer, or their designees, with respect to border security related amendments; and that after the first vote in this sequence, the succeeding votes be limited 10 minutes each; and that after the first vote, there be 2 minutes, equally divided in the usual form, prior to the succeeding votes; and that no amendments be in order to the amendments covered in this agreement, other than as identified in this agreement; that if a budget point of order is raised against the border security amendments, then a motion to waive the applicable budget point of order be considered made; and Senate vote on the motion to waive the applicable budget point of order; that if the waivers are successful, then the amendments be agreed to; that if the waivers fail, then the amendments be withdrawn; that upon disposition of above referenced amendments, Senate then consider Feingold Amendment No. 4204 (listed above), and Coburn/McCain Modified Amendment No. 4231 (listed above) and Coburn/McCain Amendment No. 4232 (listed above), and that they be debated concurrently for a total of 15 minutes, prior to a vote on or in relation thereto, with 5 minutes each under the control of Senators Feingold, Coburn and Inouye, or their designees; that no amendment be in order to these amendments prior to the votes; that upon the use or yielding back of time, Senate vote on or in relation to the amendments in the order listed; provided that the pending committee reported substitute amendment not be subject to any rule 16 point of order; that upon the disposition of these amendments, Senate vote on the motion to invoke cloture on the committee-reported substitute amendment; provided further, that the filing deadline for second-degree amendments be 11 a.m.

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Matthew J. Bryza, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Azerbaijan.

Mark Charles Storella, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Zambia.

2 Army nominations in the rank of general.

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Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and recessed at 7:36 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 27, 2010. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4471.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

FOREST SERVICE AND INTERIOR FIRE FIGHTING POLICY

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies concluded a hearing to examine firefighting policy with the U.S. Forest Service and the Department of the Interior, after receiving testimony from Representative Schiff; Tom Tidwell, Chief, Forest Service, Department of Agriculture; and Mike Poole, Deputy Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior.

AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on SeaPower met in a closed session and approved for full committee consideration, those provisions which fall within the jurisdiction of the subcommittee, of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011.

AUTHORIZATION: DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Committee began consideration of the proposed National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal year 2011, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Thursday, May 27, 2010.

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology concluded a hearing to examine innovation and inclusion, focusing on the Americans with Disabilities Act at 20, including H.R. 3101, to ensure that individuals with disabilities have access to emerging Internet Protocol-based communication and video programming technologies in the 21st Century, and S. 3304, to increase the access of persons with disabilities to modern communications, after receiving testimony from Representative Markey (MA); Bobbie Beth Scoggins, National Association of the Deaf

(NAD), Sioux Falls, South Dakota, and Russell Harvard, Austin, Texas, both on behalf of the Coalition of Organizations for Accessible Technology (COAT); Thomas Wlodkowski, AOL Inc., Dulles, Virginia; Walter B. McCormick, Jr., United States Telecom Association, Washington, D.C., and Brian K. Pearce, Mechanicsville, Virginia.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Joshua Gotbaum, of the District of Columbia, to be Director of the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, and Richard Sorian, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary of Health and Human Services, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

SUDAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on African Affairs concluded a hearing to examine assessing challenges and opportunities for peace in Sudan, after receiving testimony from Katherine J. Almquist, National Defense University Africa Center for Strategic Studies, Alison Giffen, Henry L. Stimson Center, and Anne C. Richard, International Rescue Committee, all of Washington, D.C.; and David Mozersky, Humanity United, Redwood City, California.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2781, to change references in Federal law to mental retardation to references to an intellectual disability, and to change references to a mentally retarded individual to references to an individual with an intellectual disability, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute; and

The nominations of David K. Mineta, of California, to be Deputy Director for Demand Reduction, Office of National Drug Control Policy, and Adam Gamoran, of Wisconsin, Deborah Loewenberg Ball, of Michigan, Margaret R. McLeod, of the District of Columbia, and Bridget Terry Long, of Massachusetts, all to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Board for Education Sciences.

NOMINATION

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Tracie Stevens, of Washington, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, after receiving testimony from Brian Cladoosby, Swinomish Indian Tribal Community, LaConner, Washington, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.